Job opportunities in hotel industry

3111. PROF. SAIF-UD-DIN SOZ: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that hotel industry offers great opportunities for job; and

(b) if so, what measures Government propose to take to promote hotel management jobs on a larger scale?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) During 10th plan, Tourism has been considered as an important stimulus to employment. Rationalisation of hotels and entertainment tax would promote job opportunities in the hotel industry.

Working condition of migrant labourers

3112. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to send Indian officers to certain countries to study working condition of Indian migrant labourers;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith likely expenditure to be incurred on the visit;

(c) whether this can not be done through obtaining inputs from Indian Embassies and Emigration Agencies; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to check exploitation of Indian migrant labourers in foreign countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) No such proposal is at present under consideration.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

(d) Several steps continue to be taken which include, *inter alia*, interventions by the Protector-General of Emigrants, Ministry of Labour and by the Indian Missions/Posts abroad to settle the matter with the help of concerned recruiting agents, foreign Governments and/or foreign employers. The Indian Missions/Posts abroad provide assistance and take up complaints/grievances of Indian emigrant workers with the concerned authorities for amicable settlement.